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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

In re:

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Beeville Livestock Commission, Inc. and W.E. Butler

P & S Docket No. D-05-0004

Respondents

Consent Decision

This proceeding was instituted under the Packers and Stockyards Act (7 U.S.C. § 181 et seq.), hereinafter referred to as the Act, by a complaint filed by the Deputy Administrator, Packers and Stockyards Programs, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, alleging that the Respondents wilfully violated the Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder (9 C.F.R. § 201.1 et seq.), hereinafter referred to as the regulations. This decision is entered pursuant to the consent decision provision of the Rules of Practice applicable to this proceeding (7 C.F.R. § 1.138).

The Respondents admit the jurisdictional allegations in paragraph I of the complaint and specifically admit that the Secretary has jurisdiction in this matter, neither admit nor deny the remaining allegations, waive oral hearing and further procedure, and consent and agree, for the purpose of settling this proceeding and for such purpose only, to the entry of this decision.

The Complainant agrees to the entry of this decision.

Findings of Fact

1. Beeville Livestock Commission, Inc., hereinafter "Respondent Beeville", is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the state of Texas. Its mailing address is P.O. Box 697, Beeville, Texas 78104.

For Complainant:

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Issued in Washington D.C. this 2 day of August 2006

Administrative Law Judge
Jill S. Clifton